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Hello. My name is Chris Mclaney. I'm from North Carolina. I keep a video

phone. It's very important so I can communicate with my friend and my family,

know what's going on. With the TTY, often I don't understand what they are saying.

But with the video phone, I can sign directly to them. We can see each other and I

can understand what we are talking about.

So I do not -- I need to -- my video phone is a lifeline for me. You know, if the

service is broken, you know, we can't cut that service. It's vital to deaf people. We

need it in the event of emergencies but we need some way to contact emergency

services. I can call on the TTY, but with the VP – I can call on the TTY and give

some information about whatever is going on. But with the video phone, I can be

more accurate and communicate clearly in my natural language in greater detail.

So thank you for the video phone.

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